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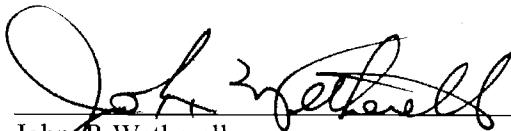
RESPONSE TO NOTIFICATION OF DEFECTIVE RESPONSE

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Responsive to the Notification of Defective Response mailed February 21, 2008
(copy enclosed), Applicants submit herewith for filing the following document:

- Fee Transmittal for FY 2008.

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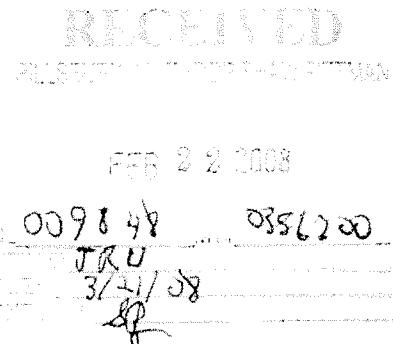
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NOTIFICATION OF DEFECTIVE RESPONSE

The following items have been submitted by the applicant or the IB to the United States Patent and Trademark Office as an Elected Office (37 CFR 1.495):

- Indication of Small Entity Status
- Priority Document
- Copy of the International Application filed on 09/18/2006
- Copy of the International Search Report filed on 09/18/2006
- Copy of IPE Report filed on 09/18/2006
- Preliminary Amendments filed on 09/18/2006
- Information Disclosure Statements filed on 09/18/2006
- Biochemical Sequence Diskette filed on 12/26/2007
- Oath or Declaration filed on 09/18/2006
- Biochemical Sequence Listing filed on 12/26/2007
- Request for Immediate Examination filed on 09/18/2006
- U.S. Basic National Fees filed on 09/18/2006
- Assignment filed on 08/24/2007
- Priority Documents filed on 09/18/2006
- Power of Attorney filed on 08/24/2007
- Specification filed on 09/18/2006
- Claims filed on 09/18/2006
- Abstracts filed on 09/18/2006
- Drawings filed on 09/18/2006
- Paper nucleotide sequence listings filed on 09/18/2006
- Paper Computer Listings filed on 09/18/2006



Applicant's response filed 12/26/2007 is hereby acknowledged. The following requirements set forth in the NOTIFICATION of MISSING REQUIREMENTS mailed have not been completed.

- The request for an extension of time (37 CFR 1.136(a)) filed 12/26/2007 is defective because the required fee is missing/insufficient. Extension of time fees is listed at 37 CFR 1.17(a)(1)-(a)(5).

Applicant is required to complete the response within a time limit of ONE MONTH from the date of this Notification or within the time remaining in the response set forth in the Notification of Missing Requirements, whichever is the longer. No extension of this time limit may be granted under 37 CFR 1.136, but the period for response set in the Notification of Missing Requirements may be extended under 37 CFR 1.136(a).

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FEE TRANSMITTAL

For FY 2008

 Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

TOTAL AMOUNT OF PAYMENT (\$)

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FEE CALCULATION

1. BASIC FILING, SEARCH, AND EXAMINATION FEES

Application Type	FILING FEES		SEARCH FEES		EXAMINATION FEES		Fees Paid (\$)
	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	
Utility	310	155	510	255	210	105	
Design	210	105	100	50	130	65	
Plant	210	105	310	155	160	80	
Reissue	310	155	510	255	620	310	
Provisional	210	105	0	0	0	0	

2. EXCESS CLAIM FEES

Fee Description

Each claim over 20 (including Reissues)

Each independent claim over 3 (including Reissues)

Multiple dependent claims

Total Claims	Extra Claims	Fee (\$)	Fee Paid (\$)	Small Entity	Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)
- 20 or HP =	x	=		50	25	

HP = highest number of total claims paid for, if greater than 20.

Indep. Claims	Extra Claims	Fee (\$)	Fee Paid (\$)	Multiple Dependent Claims	Fee (\$)	Fee Paid (\$)
- 3 or HP =	x	=				

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3. APPLICATION SIZE FEE

If the specification and drawings exceed 100 sheets of paper (excluding electronically filed sequence or computer listings under 37 CFR 1.52(e)), the application size fee due is \$260 (\$130 for small entity) for each additional 50 sheets or fraction thereof. See 35 U.S.C. 41(a)(1)(G) and 37 CFR 1.16(s).

Total Sheets	Extra Sheets	Number of each additional 50 or fraction thereof	Fee (\$)	Fee Paid (\$)
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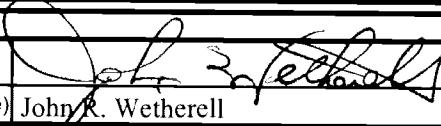
Non-English Specification, \$130 fee (no small entity discount)

Other (e.g., late filing surcharge): Extension of Time

Fees Paid (\$)

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